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Re: Section 63.71 Application of RCN Telecom Services of Virginia, Inc. for Authority to Discontinue Service in Certain States

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On behalf of RCN Telecom Services of Virginia, Inc. ("RCN"), enclosed for filing are an original and six (6) copies of the above-referenced filing.

Kindly date-stamp and return the extra in the envelope provided. If you have any questions regarding this matter please do not hesitate to contact Joseph Kahl of RCN at (609) 734-3827 or Brett Ferenchak at (202) 424-7697.

Respectfully submitted,

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Counsel for RCN

cc: Joseph Kahl (RCN)

Before the FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION Washington, D.C.

In the Matter of)
Section 63.71 Application of)
RCN Telecom Services of Virginia, Inc.) WC Docket No. 04
For Authority to Discontinue Service in Certain States)

SECTION 63.71 APPLICATION

RCN Telecom Services of Virginia, Inc. ("RCN-VA"), pursuant to Section 63.71 of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 63.71 and Section 214 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, hereby requests Commission approval, to the extent necessary, to relinquish its blanket domestic Section 214 authority. RCN-VA is not currently providing or offering, and has not recently provided or offered, any telecommunications services to customers. The following information is submitted in support of this Application:

I. Description of Relinquishment

1. Name and address of carrier

RCN Telecom Services of Virginia, Inc. 105 Carnegie Center Princeton, NJ 08540

No other RCN entity is impacted by this specific request. It pertains only to RCN Telecom Services of Virginia, Inc.

On or about April 30, 2004, RCN Telecom Services of Virginia, Inc., filed a Petition at the Virginia State Corporation Commission (the "Virginia Commission") requesting cancellation of its Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity ("CPCN"). On or about May 7, 2004, in Case No. PUC-2004-00062, the Virginia Commission approved the CPCN cancellation.

2. Date of Planned Service Discontinuance

Not applicable. RCN-VA does not provide any telecommunications services and has not provided such services recently. Therefore, the relinquishment of the domestic Section 214 authority now held by RCN-VA will not result in any customer discontinuances or any impairment of service to any customers.

3. Points of Geographic Areas of Service Affected

Not applicable. While RCN-VA does not currently offer any telecommunications services, it desires to relinquish its authority to offer such services throughout the United States.

4. Brief Description of the Type of Service Affected

Not applicable. RCN-VA does not currently offer any telecommunications services, but desires to relinquish its blanket domestic Section 214 authority to provide interstate telecommunications services.

- 5. Brief Description of the Dates/Methods of Notice to Affected Customers

 Not applicable. As stated above, RCN-VA does not have any customers.
- 6. Non-dominance of the Carrier With Respect to Services to be Discontinued RCN-VA is a non-dominant carrier with respect to all services.
- Additional Questions Regarding this Application May be Addressed to:

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II. Circumstances of Relinquishment

As part of a review RCN Corporation's ("RCN") records, RCN has determined that no services are being provided pursuant to the authorization that is the subject of this Application. In order to wind-up the affairs of an in-active entity, this Application seeks to relinquish RCN-VA's domestic Section 214 authorization, under which no services are currently being provided or offered to customers.

III. Conclusion

RCN-VA believes that the proposed relinquishment is reasonable and necessary. As mentioned above, neither customers nor the public convenience and necessity would be affected by this action. Accordingly, RCN-VA respectfully requests that the Commission approve this application and cancel RCN-VA's blanket domestic Section 214 authorization.

Respectfully submitted,

Joseph O. Kahl

Director, Regulatory and External Affairs

RCN Telecom Services of Virginia, Inc.

Dated: August 18th, 2004

CERTIFICATION OF APPLICANT

On behalf of RCN Telecom Services of Virginia, Inc., I hereby certify that the statements in the foregoing Application for Section 63.71 authority are true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge and are made in good faith.

RCN Telecom Services of Virginia, Inc.

Name: Joseph O. Kahl

Title: Director, Regulatory and External Affairs Date: August 18th, 2004

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that the foregoing Section 63.71 Application of RCN Telecom Services of Virginia, Inc. was served this 19th day of August, 2004, by mailing true and correct copies thereof, postage prepaid, to the following persons at the addresses appearing below.

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